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In re Application of:

Inventor	: Doherty et al.	
Appln. No.	: 09/862,652	Confirmation No.: 8718
Filed	: May 21, 2001	Group Art Unit: 3752
Title	: APPARATUS AND SYSTEM FOR SYNCHRONIZED APPLICATION OF ONE OR MORE MATERIALS TO A SURFACE FROM A VEHICLE AND CONTROL OF A VEHICLE MOUNTED VARIABLE POSITION SNOW REMOVAL DEVICE	Examiner: Ganey, Steven J.

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER  
37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97(c)(2) and 1.98 and STATEMENT OF RELATEDNESS  
UNDER M.P.E.P. § 2001.06(b)**

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Sir:

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In satisfaction of the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, and as required by M.P.E.P. § 2001.06(b), the Examiner is requested to consider the following applications commonly owned by the Assignee of the present application and that may include subject matter similar to that of the present application:

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- (1) U.S. patent application no. 09/643,154, filed August 21, 2001, now abandoned;  
and  
(2) U.S. patent application no. 09/550,162, filed April 14, 2000, now abandoned.

This Information Disclosure Statement is filed after the period specified in 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), but before the mailing date of a final action under 37 C.F.R. § 1.113, a notice of allowance under 37 C.F.R. § 1.311, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application. As such, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 04-1415 the required \$180.00 fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p). Should any additional fees or petitions be required, please consider this a request therefor and authorization to charge Deposit Account No. 04-1415 as necessary.

Should the Examiner have any questions please contact the undersigned attorney.

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